



**PATENT**

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/678,170 Art Unit: 2123  
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Applicant: David Joseph KROPACZEK et al. Conf.: 2278  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FACILITATING RECOVERY OF NUCLEAR FUEL FROM FUEL POOL  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 29, 2008 and Advisory Action mailed July 16, 2008, the due date having been extended one (1) month to August 29, 2008, the following remarks and amendments are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this Amendment.

	<b>Claims remaining after Amendment</b>		<b>Highest number previously paid for</b>		<b>Present extra</b>
<b>Total</b>	14	-	34	=	0
<b>Independent</b>	2	-	6	=	0